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Present: *President* ABRAHAM; *Vice-President* YUSUF; *Judges* OWADA, TOMKA, BENNOUNA, CANÇADO TRINDADE, GREENWOOD, XUE, DONOGHUE, GAJA, SEBUTINDE, BHANDARI, ROBINSON, CRAWFORD, GEVORGIAN; *Registrar* COUVREUR.

The International Court of Justice,

Composed as above,

After deliberation,

Having regard to Article 48 of the Statute of the Court and to Article 44, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Court,

Having regard to the Order of 16 June 2014, whereby the Court fixed 16 December 2014 and 16 June 2015 respectively as the time-limits for the filing of the Memorial of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Counter-Memorial of the Republic of India on the question of the jurisdiction of the Court,

Having regard to the Memorial duly filed by the Marshall Islands within the time-limit thus fixed;

Whereas, by a letter dated 5 May 2015 and received in the Registry on 6 May 2015, Mr. Shri Amandeep Singh Gill, Co-Agent of India, informed the Court that his Government, for the reasons explained in that letter, requested a three-month extension, beyond 16 June 2015, of the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of India, i.e., until 16 September 2015; and whereas, on receipt of that letter, the Registrar transmitted a copy thereof to the Marshall Islands;

Whereas, by a letter dated 8 May 2015 and received in the Registry on the same day, Mr. Phon van den Biesen, Co-Agent of the Marshall Islands, informed the Court that the Government of the Marshall Islands had no objection to the three-month extension of time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial, as requested by India;

Taking account of the views of the Parties,

Extends the time-limit for the filing of the Counter-Memorial of the Republic of India on the question of the jurisdiction of the Court to 16 September 2015; and

Reserves the subsequent procedure for further decision.

Done in English and in French, the English text being authoritative, at the Peace Palace, The Hague, this nineteenth day of May, two thousand and fifteen, in three copies, one of which will be placed in the archives of the Court and the others transmitted to the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Government of the Republic of India, respectively.

(Signed) Ronny ABRAHAM,
President.

(Signed) Philippe COUVREUR,
Registrar.
